

DPH Public Hearing on Caritas Cerberus Deal: Thursday, June 24, 2010
6 pm, Bristol Community College, Blg. G, cafeteria
Doors open at 5pm for speaker sign-in. Speakers called to offer
testimony in order of sign-in sheet

Statement for Jim Gularek: (3 minutes allotted to each speaker)

- Introduce self by name and role

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Over the past number of years, Hawthorn has had a productive
relationship with Saint Anne's and Caritas focused on the expansion
of their radiation oncology satellite in Dartmouth.

This expansion was needed in the community and approved in the
states' recent DON process. Hawthorn was pleased to be able to
provide an appropriate site for this new facility. Our collaboration
demonstrates the community-focused approach Saint Anne's takes to
develop win-win relationships with area physicians and other
providers. This in turn strengthens health care delivery in the
community and provides greater access and treatment options for
patients.

To bring the community the latest in radiation oncology care required
~~significant capital dollars~~. The Cerberus acquisition is needed to meet
the ongoing needs for capital for Saint Anne's and Caritas to deliver
quality and accessible health care. I am in support ^{of} the Cerberus
acquisition. ~~_____~~

Money is crucial - but quality health care requires so much more, -- from caring, expert staff to responsive administrators. From our ongoing work I know firsthand their dedication to providing high quality care in the community. For over fifteen years their relationship with Brigham and Women's Radiation Oncology has brought the best in Boston to this region so that those with cancer can get the advanced care close to home.

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The Cerberus acquisition will strengthen Saint Anne's and Caritas and bring more jobs from construction to career jobs. These are also important to Southeastern Massachusetts. For the City of Fall River new tax revenues will help spread the tax burden. Further, new technology and up-to-date facilities are vital to attracting new physicians to practice in southeastern Mass to meet community needs. Thank you